

Meeting Begins at 6:00 p.m.

Executive Session – Pending litigation and acquisition of property

Study Session:

- Interstate Signs
- Retreat Results
- Horton/Hartman Reconstruction Projects

Agenda

Tipp City City Council

7:30 p.m. Monday, April 5, 2010

Tipp City Government Center

260 South Garber Drive

Tipp City, Ohio 45371-3116

	Agenda Item	Presenter
1.	Call to Order - Roll Call	President Hale
2.	Prayer for Guidance, Pledge of Allegiance	Pastor Jim Valekis, Crossroad Christian Fellowship
3.	Motion to Approve the Agenda	President Hale
4.	Minutes of the March 15, 2010 Pre-Meeting Study Session Minutes of the March 15, 2010 City Council Meeting	President Hale
5.	Presentations, Proclamations, & Awards <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proclamation for Occupational Therapy Month	Mayor Gillis
6.	Legislation	
	Ordinances <i>(second reading)</i>	Mr. Crusey
	Resolutions <i>(one reading required)</i> A. Resolution No. __-10: A resolution declaring personal property owned by the City of Tipp City to be declared surplus property and no longer useful in the general operation of the City. <u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This resolution declares the City's intent to dispose of surplus items in accordance with law for items with a value of \$1,000 or more.	Mr. Crusey

	<p>B. Resolution No. __-10: A resolution adopting a new official logo for Tipp City.</p> <p><u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This new logo has received positive comments and will be placed on the new water tower. It will also be incorporated into business cards, letterhead, and other items as restocked.</p> <p>C. Resolution No. __-10: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Wildlife Management and Habitat Developments for former Senseman property now owned by City of Tipp City.</p> <p><u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This resolution authorizes the acceptance of a \$7200 grant from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.</p> <p>D. Resolution No. __-10: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Non-Pool Power Sales Schedule with American Municipal Power, Inc. ("AMP").</p> <p><u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This schedule will allow AMP to negotiate and enter into agreements to purchase electric power and/or energy for Tipp City for extended terms of no longer than five years.</p>	
	<p>Ordinances (<i>first reading</i>)</p> <p>A. Ordinance No. __-10: An ordinance accepting the application for the annexation of certain territory containing +/- 130.319 acres from Monroe Township to the City of Tipp City.</p> <p><u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This ordinance would allow for the annexation of 130.319 acres of land along the south side of Main Street east of the current corporate boundaries.</p> <p>B. Ordinance No. __-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 37 including Appendix Exhibit "A" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Tipp City for all City employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.</p> <p><u>Clerk of Council Summary:</u> This ordinance makes changes to Chapter 37 of the Codified Ordinances relating to employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.</p>	Mr. Crusey

7.	Motions A. A motion to authorize hiring part-time/seasonal employees B. A motion to authorize filling the part-time Storeroom Clerk position in the Electric Department. C. A motion to authorize filling the full-time Foreman in the Electric Department.	President Hale
8.	Miscellaneous	President Hale
9.	Citizen Comments on Items Not on the Agenda	
10.	Comments of Councilmembers/City Manager	
11.	Adjournment	

AGENDA

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, & AWARDS

- A. **Occupational Therapy Month** – Mayor Gillis will present a proclamation proclaiming April 2010 as Occupational Therapy Month in the City of Tipp City.

RESOLUTIONS (one reading required)

- A. **Surplus Property** – The adoption of this resolution would declare a 2004 Ford Crown Victoria 2006 Ferris IS4500 Zero Turn Mower and a 59-inch John Deere Snow Blower Attachment to be surplus property and authorize the City Manager to dispose of said property by public sale, auction or trade-in or to be disposed of in the most cost-beneficial means as determined by the City Manager.

The 2004 Crown Victoria has over 102,000 miles and has been used for meter reading purposes. We currently have three vehicles for two meter readers. The vehicle is in need of major repairs and is not worth the cost to make the needed repairs. The Ford Crown Victoria may be traded to the Ohio Police Officer Training Academy (OPOTA) in exchange for credit to be used toward future departmental training costs. The 2006 Ferris Zero Turn Mower has a broken frame (re-welded in house) and is difficult to trim with. The City would receive a \$6,250 trade-in value for the Ferris mower. The John Deere 59-inch snow blower is no longer used nor effective, it takes 3 to 4 times longer to remove snow than with a plow. The snow blower was intended to be used for the Fire Station and Gov't Center parking lots; however, the V-plow on the pick-up and on the VenTrac are more effective in parking lots and on bike trails. The City would receive a \$1,700 trade-in value for the snow blower attachment.

- B. **Logo** – This resolution would adopt a new logo for the City of Tipp City. In September 2009 City Council approved the mum logo to adorn the new 1 million gallon water tower to be constructed at Success Circle and Donn Davis Way. Since that time the mum logo has been used intermittently on City documents and for public presentation. The City has received many positive comments regarding the mum logo. The TippNews Daily website conducted an online survey where 24 voters loved the new logo, 18 voters thought it was OK, and 5 preferred the current logo.

The new logo will be incorporated into business cards, letterhead, etc. as those items are restocked. Furthermore, at this time, the new logo will be utilized on new vehicles and equipment as those items are purchased. The changing of the City Logo on municipal facilities will be reviewed with City Council prior to any changes taking place.

- C. **U. S. Fish and Wildlife Agreement** – This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a Partners For Fish and Wildlife Habitat Development Agreement with the US Fish & Wildlife Services for the western 60.1 acres of the Senseman property that was recently purchased by the City. This \$7,200 grant would be used to plant firebreaks and prairie grass this spring. The City would need to expend local funds to get the work completed, submit invoices to the USFWS, and then be reimbursed up to \$7200.

Additional funding will be forthcoming from the USFWS for the re-establishment of seasonal wetlands and prairie grass on the eastern 54.3 acres of the recently purchased land. Currently, the USFWS is developing a plan to develop seasonal wetlands in conjunction with the mitigation work that will soon get underway on easternmost 12.567 acres that is being planted in riparian area for the Austin Road mitigation project

- D. **AMP Non-Pool Power Sales Schedule** – This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a Non-Pool Power Sales Schedule with American Municipal Power (AMP). AMP is currently authorized to purchase power on the City's behalf for arrangements of one year or less. This schedule would enable AMP to negotiate and enter in to agreements to purchase electric power and/or energy for extended terms of no longer than five years. This action is being taken to fill the void, for the next five years, which will occur in the City's purchase power agreements until the AMPGS, Prairie State and various hydroelectric projects come on line. This resolution also waives any competitive bidding requirements that may apply to AMP's Long-Term Power contracts.

ORDINANCES *(first reading)*

- A. **Senseman Annexation** –This ordinance, if adopted, would annex 130.319 acres of land along the south side of Main Street east of the current corporate boundaries. The City recently purchased 117.70 acres this land for its wellhead protection program with the remaining 12.619 acres being owned by Allen Senseman and Karen Shell. City Council adopted Resolution 1-10 at its January 4, 2010 meeting authorizing the City Manager to sign the annexation petition and to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Monroe Township. The Miami County Commissioners approved this annexation at their February 2, 2010 meeting.
- B. **Creating the Service Superintendent Position** – The adoption of this ordinance would abolish the positions of Street Superintendent and Park Superintendent and create the position of Service Superintendent effective June 1, 2010. The ordinance also places the new Service Superintendent position on pay grade higher than the Street/Parks Superintendent positions. Finally, as a housekeeping item, the entire pay scale has been revised to reflect that non-represented employees did not receive a cost of living increase in 2009 and are not scheduled to receive one in 2010.

MOTIONS

- A. **Hiring Part-Time/Seasonal Employees** – On February 2, 2009 City Council adopted Resolution 06-09 implementing a hiring freeze that requires Council approval to fill all vacant positions. It is that time of year when the City must start the process of hiring part-time/seasonal employees for the summer months. I am requesting approval from City Council to fill the part-time/seasonal positions in the Parks, Street, Electric and Water/Sewer Departments as approved in the 2010 operating budget.
- B. **Authorizing Filling of Part-Time Storeroom Clerk Position in Electric Department** – Part-time Storeroom Clerk Steve Bond was recently appointed to a new position of Water Treatment Plant Operator. Therefore, approval is being requested of City Council to fill this part-time position.
- C. **Authorizing Filling of Foreman Position in Electric Department** – Electric Foreman Don Zerkle has announced his retirement effective May 31, 2010. A motion from Council is necessary to begin the process filling this position. Assuming this position is filled internally, an internal review of the staffing level of the Electric Department will be conducted to evaluate the staffing needs of the department.

Electric Department Staffing Levels

Superintendent	1.0
Foreman	1.0
Journeyman Lineman	6.0
Apprentice Lineman	2.0

Tree Trimmer	2.0	
Storeroom Clerk	0.8	
Meter Reader (50%) – 2	0.26	
Laborer	<u>0.6</u>	
TOTAL		12.8

Council welcomes the comments and input of the public during the Council meetings. In order to provide an orderly fashion in which all interested parties have an opportunity to address Council, Council has adopted the following procedure for citizen's comments during any portion of the Council meeting or Public Hearing.

Any citizen who wishes to address Council must first seek recognition from the President of Council. Upon recognition by the President, the speaker should approach the podium, state their name and make their comments. Speakers should not leave the podium to approach Councilmembers without first obtaining permission. After completion of their comments, Council would request that the speakers return to their seat so that any other interested persons could then be recognized and address Council.

The purpose of this procedure is to afford the maximum opportunity for citizen input without any type of disruption of the Council proceedings. While others are addressing Council from the podium, Council requests that audience members not make comments to Council or to individuals at the podium to prevent any potential confusion or disruption.